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Item 1
Organizational matters

Under this item, the Executive Board will adopt the agenda for the second regular session 2015 and agree on the workplan for the session as presented by the Secretary of the Board. The Board may wish to approve the report of its annual session 2015. A draft report was distributed to members of the Board for their comments; the final report reflects the comments received.

In accordance with decision 96/25, a draft workplan for 2016 is being submitted to the Executive Board. The document will be finalized by the secretariat in close consultation with the Bureau of the Board and will be submitted to the Board for adoption at its first regular session 2016.

Documentation

Provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and workplan (DP/2015/L.3)

Report of the annual session 2015 (DP/2015/24)

Decisions adopted at the annual session 2015 (DP/2015/25)

Draft annual workplan of the Executive Board for 2016 (DP/2015/CRP.2)

UNDP segment

Item 2
Structured funding dialogue

As requested by the Executive Board in its decision 2014/24 and in line with the implementation of the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development, UNDP will continue the structured dialogues with Member States to monitor and follow up the predictability, flexibility and alignment of resources provided for the implementation of the Strategic Plan, 2014-2017, including information on funding gaps.

Item 3
Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

The report on the annual review of the financial situation undertakes a comprehensive review and analysis, from the financial perspective, of UNDP activities at the global and aggregate levels. The overview assesses the performance of the organization against the various sources for programming: UNDP regular resources, other resources, and UNCDF, and provides the financial position at the end of 2014 with illustrative comparators to the previous year. The financial data in both years are in accordance with the International Public Sector Accounting Standards.

Documentation

Annual review of the financial situation, 2014 (DP/2015/26)

Detailed information relating to the annual review of the financial situation 2014 (DP/2015/26/Add.1)

Item 4
Funding commitments to UNDP

In line with Executive Board decision 98/23, the Board will have before it a report on the status of regular funding commitments for 2015 and a summary of the contributions to regular and other resources received in 2014. This year's report highlights a continuing decline in UNDP regular ('core') resources, a growing imbalance between regular and other resources with a high concentration of highly earmarked other resources, the lack of predictability of regular resources, and outlines UNDP efforts to diversify the donor base through its '100 partners' campaign and partnerships with the private sector and foundations.

Documentation:

Status of regular resources funding commitments to UNDP and its funds and programmes for 2015 and onwards (DP/2015/27)

Item 5
Country programmes and related matters

Under this item, the Executive Board will be asked to: (a) take note of the first one-year extensions of the country programmes for Burkina Faso, Chad and Somalia; (b) approve the exceptional one-year extension of the country programme for Côte d'Ivoire and the second one-year extensions of the country programmes for Lebanon and Libya; and (c) review and approve, in accordance with Executive Board decision 2014/7, the country programme documents for Guinea-Bissau, Swaziland, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe; Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Maldives; Algeria; Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Serbia, Tajikistan, Turkey, Uzbekistan; Colombia, El Salvador and Panama.

Documentation:

Extensions of country programmes (DP/2015/28)

Africa

Country programme document for Guinea-Bissau (DP/DCP/GNB/2)

Country programme document for Swaziland (DP/DCP/SWZ/3)

Country programme document for Uganda (DP/DCP/UGA/4)

Country programme document for Zambia (DP/DCP/ZMB/3)

Country programme document for Zimbabwe (DP/DCP/ZWE/3)

Asia and the Pacific

Country programme document for Cambodia (DP/DCP/KHM/3)

Country programme document for China (DP/DCP/CHN/3)

Country programme document for Indonesia (DP/DCP/IDN/3)

Country programme document for Malaysia (DP/DCP/MYS/3)

Country programme document for Maldives (DP/DCP/MDV/3)

Arab States

Country programme document for Algeria (DP/DCP/DZA/3)

Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States

Country programme document for Azerbaijan (DP/DCP/AZE/3)

Country programme document for Belarus (DP/DCP/BLR/3)

Country programme document for Georgia (DP/DCP/GEO/3)

Country programme document for Kazakhstan (DP/DCP/KAZ/3)

Country programme document for the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (DP/DCP/MKD/3)

Country programme document for Serbia (DP/DCP/SRB/2), including the results and resources framework for Kosovo* (DP/DCP/SRB/2/Add.1)

Country programme document for Tajikistan (DP/DCP/TAJ/2)

Country programme document for Turkey (DP/DCP/TUR/3)

Country programme document for Uzbekistan (DP/DCP/UZB/3)

Latin America and the Caribbean

Country programme document for Colombia (DP/DCP/COL/2)

Country programme document for El Salvador (DP/DCP/SLV/3)

Country programme document for Panama (DP/DCP/PAN/3)

Item 6
Evaluation

An evaluation was undertaken to assess the extent to which the UNDP gender equality strategy for the period 2008-2013 functioned as an 'integrating dimension' in the implementation of the strategic plan. It answers three broad evaluation questions, namely: (a) has UNDP contributed to gender equality and women's empowerment results; (b) has UNDP integrated gender equality across the institution at the programme, policy, technical and cultural levels during the period 2008-2013; and (c) where have UNDP institutional change results been the most and least successful in improving gender equality and women's empowerment development results. The evaluation is accompanied by the management response. The Board may wish to consider the conclusions and recommendations from the evaluation and may urge UNDP to factor the evaluation recommendations into future programming.

Documentation

Evaluation of the UNDP contribution to gender equality and women's empowerment (DP/2015/29)

Management response to the evaluation of the UNDP contribution to gender equality and women's empowerment (DP/2015/30)

* References to Kosovo shall be understood to be in the context of the United Nations Security Council resolution 1244 (1999)

UNFPA segment

Item 7
Structured funding dialogue: Implementation of the QCPR

The Executive Board will have before it a comprehensive and integrated resource mobilization strategy, developed within the context of the sustainable development goals and the evolving financing landscape. The report responds to decision 2014/25, requesting UNFPA to continue to explore incentives, mechanisms and funding windows to broaden its donor base, improve communications with donors, and continue dialogue on options that will enhance the quality of contributions to finance development results.

The Executive Board may wish to adopt a decision on the UNFPA resource mobilization strategy. Elements for a decision are contained in the report.

Documentation:

UNFPA resource mobilization strategy (DP/FPA/2015/11)

Item 8
Funding commitments to UNFPA

In accordance with decisions 99/5 and 2000/9, requesting the Executive Director to provide annually updated estimates of regular and co-financing resources, the report presents the funding commitments of Member States and others to UNFPA and projections for 2015 and future years.

The Executive Board may wish to adopt a decision on funding commitments to UNFPA. Elements for a decision are contained in the report.

Documentation:

Report on contributions by Member States and others to UNFPA and revenue projections for 2015 and future years (DP/FPA/2015/10)

Item 9
Financial, budgetary and administrative matters: Updated integrated resource plan, 2014-2017

In accordance with decision 2013/32 on UNFPA integrated budget estimates, the Executive Board will have before it an updated integrated resource plan for 2014-2017, following review of the financial projections.

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the integrated resource plan for 2014-2017.

Documentation:

Updated integrated resource plan, 2014-2017 (DP/FPA/2015/CRP.4)

Item 10
Evaluation

The Executive Board will have before it a report on the quadrennial budgeted evaluation plan for 2016-2019, prepared in line with the revised UNFPA evaluation

policy (DP/FPA/2013/5), in accordance with relevant Executive Board decisions and with General Assembly resolution 67/226 on the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system. The plan presents the strategic approach to planning and coverage, and details of proposed corporate and programme-level evaluations for UNFPA, together with information on resources, expected budget, key risks and reporting arrangements.

The Executive Board may wish to adopt a decision, elements of which are contained in the report.

Documentation:

Quadrennial budgeted evaluation plan, 2016-2019 (DP/FPA/2015/12)

Item 11
Country programmes and related matters

The Executive Board will be asked to (a) approve, in accordance with decision 2014/7, the country programme documents for Azerbaijan, Belarus, Cambodia, China, Colombia, El Salvador, Georgia, Guinea-Bissau, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Maldives, Panama, Serbia, Swaziland, Tajikistan, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Uzbekistan, Zambia and Zimbabwe; (b) take note of the six-month extension of the country programme for Ethiopia and the first one-year extensions of the country programmes for Brazil, Burkina Faso, the Democratic Republic of Korea, Kyrgyzstan, Mozambique and Ukraine; and (c) approve the second, one-year extension of the country programme for Côte d'Ivoire.

Documentation:

Extensions of country programmes (DP/FPA/2015/14)

Country programme document for Azerbaijan (DP/FPA/CPD/AZE/4)

Country programme document for Belarus (DP/FPA/CPD/BLR/2)

Country programme document for Cambodia (DP/FPA/CPD/KHM/5)

Country programme document for China (DP/FPA/CPD/CHN/8)

Country programme document for Colombia (DP/FPA/COL/6)

Country programme document for El Salvador (DP/FPA/CPD/SLV/8)

Country programme document for Georgia (DP/FPA/CPD/GEO/3)

Country programme document for Guinea-Bissau (DP/FPA/CPD/GNB/6)

Country programme document for Indonesia (DP/FPA/CPD/IDN/9)

Country programme document for Kazakhstan (DP/FPA/CPD/KAZ/4)

Country programme document for the Maldives (DP/FPA/CPD/MDV/6)

Country programme document for Panama (DP/FPA/CPD/PAN/3)

Country programme document for Serbia (DP/FPA/CPD/SRB/1), including the results and resources framework for Kosovo (DP/FPA/CPD/SRB/1/Add.1)

Country programme document for Swaziland (DP/FPA/CPD/SWZ/6)

Country programme document for the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (DP/FPA/CPD/MKD/1)

Country programme document for Turkey (DP/FPA/CPD/TUR/6)

Country programme document for Tajikistan (DP/FPA/CPD/TJK/4)

Country programme document for Uzbekistan (DP/FPA/CPD/UZB/4)

Country programme document for Zambia (DP/FPA/CPD/ZMB/8)

Country programme document for Zimbabwe (DP/FPA/CPD/ZWE/7)

UNOPS segment

Item 12
United Nations Office for Project Services

Under this item, the Executive Board will have before it the UNOPS budget estimates for the biennium 2016-2017 which are rooted in the UNOPS strategic plan, 2014-2017 (DP/OPS/2013/3). UNOPS management resources are targeted to strengthen its ability to provide partners with advisory, implementation and transactional support services in the areas of its mandate. The budget supports UNOPS strategic goals by dedicating resources to management results. For each result, the aspiration for the two-year period is articulated, together with the indicators of progress for which UNOPS will be held accountable. The Board may wish to adopt a decision, elements of which are contained in the report.

In its resolution 39/220 the General Assembly established the need for recurrent reporting of statistical data on procurement by United Nations agencies on operational activities. As of 2008 and pursuant to Executive Board decision 2007/38, the Executive Director of UNOPS has assumed the responsibility of compiling and submitting the report. The report provides details on United Nations system procurement by country of supply. The Executive Board may wish to take note of the report.

Documentation:

UNOPS budget estimates for the biennium 2016-2017 (DP/OPS/2015/5)

Report of the ACABQ on the UNOPS budget estimates for the biennium 2016-2017 (DP/OPS/2015/7)

Annual statistical report on the procurement activities of United Nations system organizations, 2014 (DP/OPS/2015/6)

Joint segment

Item 13
Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

The rationale for establishing joint procurement activities in the United Nations system is based on a shared understanding of the benefits of consolidating and standardizing procurement practices. The United Nations agencies have been assessing opportunities for common procurement initiatives since January 2011. The report presents key findings and outcomes from the joint procurement work conducted in 2014, and sets out the initiatives under way in 2015.

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the report and comment on the progress made in joint procurement activities.

Documentation:

Report of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS on joint procurement activities (DP-FPA-OPS/2015/1)

Item 14
Follow-up to UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board meeting

The joint UNDP and UNFPA report addresses the implementation of decisions and recommendations of the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), and focuses on the 34th and 35th meetings of the Programme Coordinating Board, held in July and December 2014, respectively. The report highlights UNDP and UNFPA contributions to the HIV/AIDS response.

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the report.

Documentation:

Report on the implementation of the decisions and recommendations of the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (DP/2015/31–DP/FPA/2015/13)

Item 15
Field visits

Under this item, the Executive Board will have before it the report of the joint field visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP to Jordan (24 April-2 May 2015) and the revised guidelines for the field visits of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS and for the joint field visits with UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP Executive Boards.

The Board may wish to take note of the report of the joint field visit to Jordan and approve the revised guidelines for the field visits of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS and for the joint field visits with UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP Executive Boards.

Documentation:

Report of the joint field visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP to Jordan (DP/FPA/OPS-ICEF-UNW-WFP/2015/CRP.1)

Guidelines for the field visits of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS and for the joint field visits with UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP Executive Boards (DP/2015/CRP.3)

Item 16
Other matters

TENTATIVE WORKPLAN
EXECUTIVE BOARD OF UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS
SECOND REGULAR SESSION 2015
(31 August-4 September 2015, New York)

Day/date	*Time*	*Item*	*Subject*
Monday, 31August	10 a.m.-1 p.m.	1	ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS • Adoption of the agenda and workplan for the session • Adoption of the report of the annual session 2015
			UNFPA segment STATEMENT BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
		7	STRUCTURED FUNDING DIALOGUE: Implementation of the QCPR • UNFPA resource mobilization strategy
		8	FUNDING COMMITMENTS TO UNFPA • Report on contributions by Member States and others to UNFPA and revenue projections for 2015 and future years
		9	FINANCIAL, BUDGETARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS • Updated integrated resource plan, 2015-2017
	3-4 p.m.		**UNFPA segment (cont'd)**
		7	STRUCTURED FUNDING DIALOGUE
		8	FUNDING COMMITMENTS TO UNFPA
		9	FINANCIAL, BUDGETARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS
	4-6 p.m.		**UNFPA segment (cont'd)**
		11	UNFPA COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND RELATED MATTERS • Presentation and approval of country programme documents • Extensions of country programmes
	6:00-6:30 p.m.		*Informal consultations on draft decisions*
Tuesday, 1 September	10 a.m.-1 p.m.		**UNDP segment** STATEMENT BY THE ADMINISTRATOR
		2	STRUCTURED FUNDING DIALOGUE
		3	UNDP: FINANCIAL, BUDGETARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS • Annual review of the financial situation, 2014 • Detailed information relating to the annual review of the financial situation, 2013
		4	FUNDING COMMITMENTS TO UNDP • Status of regular funding commitments to UNDP and its funds and programmes for 2015 and onwards
	3-4 p.m.		**UNDP segment (cont'd)**
		3	UNDP: FINANCIAL, BUDGETARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS
		4	FUNDING COMMITMENTS TO UNDP

	4-5 p.m.	11	**UNFPA segment (cont'd)** UNFPA COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND RELATED MATTERS
	5-6 p.m.	10	**UNFPA segment (cont'd)** EVALUATION • Quadrennial evaluation workplan and budget
Wednesday, 2 September	10 a.m.-1 p.m.	5	**UNDP segment (cont'd)** UNDP COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND RELATED MATTERS • Presentation and approval of country programme documents • Extensions of country programmes
	3-5:30 p.m.	5	**UNDP segment (cont'd)** UNDP COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND RELATED MATTERS • Presentation and approval of country programme documents • Extensions of country programmes
	5:30-6 p.m.		*Informal consultations on draft decisions*
Thursday, 3 September	10 a.m.-11:30 p.m.	6	**UNDP segment (cont'd)** EVALUATION • Evaluation of the UNDP contribution to gender equality and management response
	11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.		Presentation of the synthesis report on the joint evaluations of UNDP environmental programming and management response
	3-4 p.m.		Presentation of the Revised Guidelines and Procedures for Country Offices and Headquarters Units in UNDP engagement in sector budget support and pooled funding
	4-5 p.m.		**Joint segment** *Implementation issues around post-2015*
	5-6 p.m.		*Informal consultations on draft decisions*
Friday, 4 September	10 a.m.-12 p.m.	12	**UNOPS segment** STATEMENT BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR • UNOPS biennial budget estimates, 2016-2017 • Report of the ACABQ on the UNOPS biennial budget estimates, 2016-2017 • Annual statistical report on the procurement activities of United Nations system organizations, 2014
	12-1 p.m.	13	**Joint segment (cont'd)** FINANCIAL, BUDGETARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS • Report on joint procurement activities (decision 2012/25)
	3-5 p.m.	14	FOLLOW-UP TO UNAIDS PROGRAMME COORDINATING BOARD MEETING • Report on the implementation of the decisions and recommendations of the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
		15	FIELD VISITS • Report on the joint field visit to Jordan • Guidelines for the field visits of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS and for joint field visits with UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP

	5-6 p.m.	16	OTHER MATTERS • Address by the Chairperson of the UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS/UN-Women Staff Council • Adoption of pending decisions
		1	ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS • Draft annual workplan of the Executive Board for 2016 • Tentative workplan for the first regular session 2016